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In re Application of:)	
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Completion of Entry into U.S. National)	
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For: EXPOSURE MASK, METHOD OF DESIGNING:		
AND MANUFACTURING THE SAME,)	
EXPOSURE METHOD AND APPARATUS,	:	
PATTERN FORMING METHOD, AND DEVICE)		
MANUFACTURING METHOD	:	

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THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed June 29, 2005, May 16, 2006, and July 21, 2006, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Also enclosed is a copy of the Communication pursuant to Article 94(3) EPC.

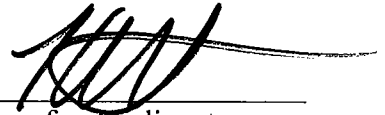
The cited documents were first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this paper. Specifically, these documents were cited in a Communication pursuant to Article 94(3) EPC, which was issued in a Communication dated December 9, 2008, in counterpart European patent application number EP 04 746 844.2. Applicants note that each of the documents listed in this Communication was previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed May 3, 2005. Accordingly, no additional copies are provided.

Applicants request that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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